

## Amendment to the Abstract

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A poly(arylene ether) polymer includes polymer repeat units of the following structure:

$$-(O-Ar_1-O-Ar_2)_m-(O-Ar_3-O-Ar_4)_n-$$

where Ar<sub>1</sub>, Ar<sub>2</sub>, Ar<sub>3</sub>, and Ar<sub>4</sub> are identical or different aryl radicals, m is 0.05 to 0.95, n is 1-m, and at least one of the aryl radicals is grafted to at least one hydroxyalkyl group, such as 2-undecanol. The polymer is especially useful in electrically conductive adhesives.